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In re application of:

Terry Hildreth

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Confirmation No.: 8387

Art Unit: 1725

Examiner: Kuang Y. Lin

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action dated November 8, 2006 in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant hereby requests a ***-month extension of time to respond to the above office action.

Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review and Form PTO/SB33 are enclosed.

The total amount of \$250.00 (small entity) to cover the Notice of Appeal fee is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1068.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies of fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1068. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims

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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the Examiner.

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